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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Sir, is it a fact that the amounts allotted for such buildings in the previous years have not been fully utilised ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I have no such information with me. But I can assure the hon. Member that whatever is allotted this year will be fully utilised.

Universities

* 246 Q.—**SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to start more Universities in the State; and

(b) if so, the number of Universities proposed to be started?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One at Madurai and one at Coimbatore.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Sir, what is the purpose in starting more Universities?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir I suppose the hon. Member understands the purpose of starting 'a University'. If he understands it, then there will be no difficulty in the hon. Member understanding the purpose of starting another University.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Is not the Hon. Minister aware that one University can perform the work of many Universities if the University is properly and efficiently run? Then what necessity is there for starting more Universities?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I may tell the hon. Member that whatever the efficiency of the management of the University that could be secured, one University cannot cater satisfactorily to a large State like the Madras State.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Sir, if more Universities are started, there is difficulty in the students who may pass out of such Universities getting the degree recognised in other States or foreign countries? Will this not entail difficulties for the students?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I do not think so, Sir, not only with reference to Universities within the particular State but even with reference to Universities outside throughout India and in foreign countries. There should be no difficulty about students going from one to another University. That is what we aim at, particularly in the present context of national integration.

DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN : May I know, Sir, whether any industrialist from Madurai has offered a rich endowment for the proposed University?

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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I have no information on that, Sir.

SRI M. RAJAH IYER: Sir, may I ask for information regarding the type of University that is to be started at Madurai? Is it to be an affiliating University or is it to be merely a unitary type of University?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, this has not been finally decided or evolved. But my own idea is, it should be a teaching-cum-affiliating University like the Madras University.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN: Sir, what is the cost of establishing the University?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, I have no idea about it.

Hosur and Thali of Hosur taluk

* 247 Q.—**SRI R. VENKATACHALAM:** Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased state—

(a) the height at which Hosur and Thali of Hosur taluk are situated from the sea-level; and

(b) the height above the sea-level, if any, fixed for the grant of special concession allowed for hill-stations?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) Hosur and Thali are approximately 2,900 feet and 3,000 feet respectively above the mean sea-level.

(b) The grant of hill-allowance is not regulated with reference to any pre-determined height above the mean sea-level but with reference to other considerations such as cost of living, state of communications, etc.

திரு. ஆர். வெங்கடாசலம்: தலைவர் அவர்களே, ஓசூர், தாளி இரண்டும் 3,000 அடிக்கு மேல் இருக்கிறது. இருந்தாலும் அவைகளுக்கு சலுகை அளிக்க வேண்டியிருக்கின்ற காரணத்தால், அதை 3,000 அடிக்குக் குறைவாக மதிப்பிட்டிருக்கிறார்கள் என்று தெரிகிறது. ஆகையால் அதை மறுபடியும் மதிப்பிட அரசாங்கம் யோசிக்குமா?

கனம் திரு. எம். பக்தவத்சலம்: நான் முன்பே சொன்னேன். உயரத்தைப் பொறுத்து அல்ல சலுகை கொடுப்பது, ஓசூர், தாளி இந்த இடங்களுக்கு நானும் போயிருக்கிறேன். அதை 'பிளேயின்' மாதிரிதான் கருதுகிறோம். அது மலைப் பிரதேசமாக இல்லை. மலைப்பிரதேசங்களில் விலைவாசி ஏறியிருக்கிறது. அதை யொட்டித்தான் பிரதேசமான சலுகைகள் அந்த மலைப்பிரதேசங்களுக்கு அளிக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றன.